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RESPONSE UNDER RULE 116
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In re Patent Application of Atty BJS-1721-108
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LAFONT et al. TC/A.U. 1615
Serial No. 10/561,238 Examiner: ELLIS, Suezu Y.
Filed: December 19, 2005 Date: March 6, 2009
Title: PLATFORMS, PARTICULARLY PROSTHESES, HAVING BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE COVERINGS

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Sir:

RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.

Fees are attached as calculated below:

Total effective claims after amendment 8 minus highest number
previously paid for 20 (at least 20) = 0 x \$52.00 \$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$

Independent claims after amendment previously paid for (at least 3) = 6 minus highest number
3 x \$220.00 \$660.00 (1201)/\$330.00 (2201) \$ 660.00

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add
\$390.00 (1203)/\$195.00 (2203) \$

Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s)

One Month Extension	\$130.00 (1251)/\$65.00 (2251)
Two Month Extensions	\$490.00 (1252)/\$245.00 (2252)
Three Month Extensions	\$1110.00 (1253)/\$555.00 (2253)
Four Month Extensions	\$1730.00 (1254)/\$865.00 (2254)
Five Month Extensions	\$2350.00 (1255)/\$1175.00 (2255) \$ 490.00

Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$140.00 (1814) / \$70.00 (2814) \$

Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith

Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee \$180.00 (1806) \$ 0.00

Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) \$ 0.00

Other: \$ 0.00

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